

II. Amended claims

Please amend claims 3-4, 7-9, 12, 14 and 17-18 to read as follows:

A⁵
B¹
3. A method according to claim 2 wherein the amphiphilic pharmaceutical drug or vaccine substance comprises a glycoprotein.

4. A method according to claim 1 wherein the amphiphilic drug or vaccine substance is a vaccine antigen.

A⁶
B¹
7. A method according to claim 5 wherein the antigen is an influenza antigen.

8. A method according to claim 5 wherein the antigen is a haemagglutinin and/or neuraminidase antigen.

9. A method according to claim 1 wherein the surfactant is an anionic surfactant.

A⁷
B¹
12. A method according to claim 11 wherein the surfactant is a salt selected from the group consisting of salts of deoxycholate, cholate, glycocholate, taurodeoxycholate and taurocholate.

A⁸
B¹
14. A method according to claim 1 wherein the surfactant is present at a concentration which is at least as great as the critical micelle concentration of the surfactant.

A⁹
B¹
17. A method according to claim 1 wherein the molecular weight cut-off filter comprises a regenerated cellulose acetate membrane, or a polysulphone membrane.

18. A method according to claim 1 wherein, following removal of the bacterial endotoxin, the process solution is subjected to a further process step in which the surfactant is removed.

The amended claims effect the following changes:

3. (once amended) A method according to [claim 1 or] claim 2 wherein the amphiphilic pharmaceutical drug or vaccine substance comprises a glycoprotein.

4. (once amended) A method according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1 wherein the amphiphilic drug or vaccine substance is a vaccine antigen.

7. (once amended) A method according to claim 5 [or claim 6] wherein the antigen is an influenza antigen.

8. (once amended) A method according to [any one of claims 5 to 7] claim 5 wherein the antigen is a haemagglutinin and/or neuraminidase antigen.

9. (once amended) A method according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1 wherein the surfactant is an anionic surfactant.

12. (once amended) A method according to claim 11 wherein the surfactant is a salt selected from the group consisting of salts of deoxycholate, cholate, glycocholate, taurodeoxycholate [or] and taurocholate.

14. (once amended) A method according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1 wherein the surfactant is present at a concentration which is at least as great as the critical micelle concentration of the surfactant.

17. (once amended) A method according to [any one of the preceding claims] claim 1 wherein the [a] molecular weight cut-off filter comprises a regenerated cellulose acetate membrane, or a polysulphone membrane.